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NEW FLARE-UP IN BANDOENG

BATAVIA, NOV. 30. WITHIN A FEW MINUTES OF THE ANNOUNCEMENT THAT THEY HAD COMPLETELY OCCUPIED SURABAYA, INDIAN TROOPS IN JAVA TO DAY WENT INTO ACTION IN BOTH BANDOENG AND BATAVIA. GURKHAS WITH TANK SUPPORT WENT FORWARD TO CLEAR THE NATIONALIST TROOPS FROM PREPARED DEFENCES IN THE FACTORY DISTRICT IN NORTH BANDOENG, WHERE THE INDONESIANS ARE REPORTED TO HAVE GOT DANGEROUSLY OUT OF HAND.

The Governor of West Java has been ordered to take control over the city, which is about 100 miles south-east of Batavia, but he is expected to cooperate with the Indonesian army in the city. In the capital, a street fight is reported to have broken out between the Indonesian army and the Dutch forces. The Dutch forces are reported to have been defeated in the capital and the Indonesian army is reported to have taken control of the city.

ANOTHER STEAMER HITS MINE

ANOTHER STEAMER LAST NIGHT STRUCK A MINE IN THE CANTON RIVER, BUT SCANTY DETAILS WERE AVAILABLE UP TO 2 A.M. THIS MORNING.

It seems clear, however, that the steamer was not severely damaged as to impair the ship, or seriously disabled her, though casualties appear to have been caused by the explosion.

The vessel concerned was the Chung Ming, on her way to Canton.

News of the collision was received through Batavia, which is a message and passed it on to Hong Kong.

Received here at approximately 10 p.m. it merely detailed the fact that the Chung Ming had struck a mine in the vicinity of the Boca Tientsin forts, that "casualties" had occurred, and that the Chung Ming was returning to Hong Kong.

Up to 2 a.m. the Chung Ming and ambulance stations were awaiting further instructions before taking action in connection with the incident.

It is reported that the Chung Ming was carrying a cargo of oil and was on her way to Hong Kong.

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Jews Adament

JERUSALEM, NOV. 30. Jews of Palestine announced their opposition to the recent British proposal for a trusteeship over the country and declared their claim upon the Holy Land "is based upon the eternal bond and upon the fact of our occupation thereof since time immemorial."

The declaration, made "in the face of Great Britain and all other nations," was part of a resolution adopted unanimously by the Jewish elected Palestine Assembly.

Associated Press.

COASTAL SHIPPING AUTHORIZED

THE CHINESE GOVERNMENT HAS DECIDED TO ALLOW FOREIGN SHIPPING TO CONTINUE FUNCTIONING ALONG THE CHINA SEABOARD, WHERE NO CONFLICT WITH CHINESE OPERATED NAVIGATION IS INVOLVED. IT IS LEARNED FROM SHANGHAI.

This decision will enable foreign firms, particularly the British-owned Jardine, Matheson's and Butterfield & Swire's to resume their services.

Inland navigation will, however, be reserved solely for Chinese interests, it is reported.

Since the surrender of Japan, the Chinese Government-owned shipping concern, China Merchants Steam Navigation Company, has repossessed a total of 659 craft, aggregating 110,000 tons, the largest of the craft being 3,000 tons, from Japanese-operated shipping firms.

China Merchants, besides repossessing ships from the enemy, is also augmenting its merchant fleet through vessels ordered from foreign countries.

The company is said to have ordered 46 ships from abroad, with half of this fleet, amounting to 75,000 tons, due to arrive before the end of the year.

Shipping lines already opened by this company include Shanghai-Hankow, Shanghai-Tientsin, Shanghai-Ningpo and Shanghai-Taiwan (Formosa), in addition to a number of inland services.

Sailings between Shanghai and South China as well as between Shanghai and North China will be resumed following the arrival of vessels ordered from abroad.—Reuter.

New Statement On India Imminent

LONDON, NOV. 30. LORD PETHICK LAWRENCE'S STATEMENT ON THE GOVERNMENT'S INDIAN POLICY WILL BE MADE "FAIRLY SHORTLY, POSSIBLY NEXT WEEK," MR. HERBERT MORRISON TOLD THE COMMONS YESTERDAY.

AT THE SAME TIME, IT WAS LEARNED THAT THE STATEMENT WILL PROBABLY CONTAIN A BROAD RE-STATEMENT OF WHAT THE GOVERNMENT HAS SAID ALREADY.

The Secretary of State for India will repeat that the Labour Government's goal is to give India self-government within its lifetime. The Indian Government, however, must await the election results before taking any steps.

For some time it has become evident from a number of reported Congress speeches and writings and the "Quit India, Quit Asia" slogan, that faith in the bona fide intentions of the British Government's intentions has been rapidly waning in India, and belief has grown that His Majesty's Government's India policy is no different from that of the last Tory government.

Members of Parliament and English sympathizers with India have said as much at India meetings in London.

Political observers in London have been somewhat perturbed by reports from India that Congress thinks "a resort to force" may be the only solution to the India freedom problem.

PERPLEXING SPEECHES The recent speeches of the Pandit Nehru, favouring an end of British rule in India, have perplexed some of the Tory press commentators. Socialists, M.P.s with Indian sympathies are also coming forward with statements at the

DIRECT U.S. AIR SERVICE TO H.K.

SAN FRANCISCO, NOV. 30. DIRECT AIR SERVICE FROM THE UNITED STATES TO THE PHILIPPINES, CHINA, HONG KONG AND OTHER POINTS IN ASIA WILL BE RESUMED BY THE FIRST OF THE YEAR, POSSIBLY SOONER, PAN AMERICAN WORLD AIRWAYS ANNOUNCED TO DAY.

THE ANNOUNCEMENT SAID SURVEYS JUST COMPLETED INDICATE THE FEASIBILITY OF ALMOST IMMEDIATE INAUGURATION OF SERVICE AS FAR AS SINGAPORE AND CALCUTTA.

The Trans-Pacific service will continue through Midway, Wake, Guam and Manila to Hong Kong.

From Hong Kong Pan American will connect with China National Airways corporation for service to the north and to the interior of China.

Another service is planned direct from Manila to Shanghai and a third from Manila to Canton, Bangkok and Calcutta.

A direct flight will be instituted from Manila to Singapore, with an eventual shuttle connection to Batavia.

Pan American still is hopeful of obtaining a permit to fly the great circle route from Seattle across the Aleutians to Tokyo, Mukden, Peking and Shanghai.

Pre-war service to Australia and New Zealand also is slated for early resumption.—Associated Press.

Victoria's Grandson Arrested

MUNICH, NOV. 30. THE UNITED STATES MILITARY GOVERNMENT AT GOEBBURG HAS ANNOUNCED THE ARREST OF KARL EDUARD, DUKE OF Saxe-Coburg and Gotha, GRANDSON OF BRITAIN'S QUEEN VICTORIA.

The Duke was president of the German Red Cross and held a general's rank in the Nazi storm troops. The Nazis used the British-born Karl Edward as a show piece to demonstrate how German aristocracy favoured the Nazi regime.

The estate of the 61-year-old Duke has been confiscated. Because of attacks of gout, the Duke has been placed under hospital guard.

He has been regarded as one of the richest men in Germany. He speaks German with a slight English accent. His family connections include many European bluebloods.—Associated Press.

Not Even Pink?

WASHINGTON, NOV. 30. MAJOR-GENERAL PATRICK HURLEY THINKS THE CHINESE COMMUNISTS ARE ABOUT AS COMMUNISTIC AS THE OKLAHOMA REPUBLICANS.

Asked during a talk at the National Press Club if he thought the Communists would eventually win out in China, Hurley said: "The Communist Party in China is a reform party. They have no office in the government and want to get in. I have said before, the only difference between the Chinese Communists and the Oklahoma Republicans is that the Oklahoma Republicans are not armed."—Associated Press.

Unrra's Clean-Out

FRANKFURT, GERM., NOV. 30. THE UNITED NATIONS RELIEF AND REHABILITATION ADMINISTRATION (UNRRA) HAS DISMISSED 6,000 OF ITS EMPLOYEES FOR A LACK OF EFFICIENCY.

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HURLEY EXPLOSION MAY STIR UP MUD

(By Spencer Moosa)

CHUNGKING, NOV. 30. FOREIGN AND CHINESE QUARTERS HERE EXPECT INTERESTING DISCLOSURES TO FOLLOW IF AN INVESTIGATION IS MADE INTO ACTIVITIES OF THE INVOLVED IN THE "PURGE" OF THE U.S. EMBASSY HERE WHICH FOLLOWED MAJ. GEN. PATRICK J. HURLEY'S ASSUMPTION OF THE AMBASSADORSHIP.

ALTHOUGH HURLEY, IN HIS RESIGNATION STATEMENT, MENTIONED NO NAMES, THE PERSONS HE HAD IN MIND ARE GENERALLY KNOWN IN CHUNGKING. WHEN THEY ONCE WERE FAMILIAR FIGURES IN THIS SHANTYTOWN'S DIPLOMATIC AND SOCIAL LIFE.

An investigation, observers said, would inevitably draw in others outside the erstwhile United States Embassy staff.

The general opinion here is that when Hurley came to Chungking, the U.S. Embassy was divided not into Communist and anti-Communist camps, but between those who saw hope in the leadership of Chiang Kai-shek's Kuomintang Party and those who thought the Chinese people might get a better deal under the Chinese Communist Party, led by Mao Tse-tung.

The second group had the support of some of the foreigners outside the Embassy, and it is whispered here that if their activities were disclosed they might throw the spotlight on some queer episodes in Chungking life during the war.

GERMAN WOMAN WHISPER There are whispers of a German—the wife of a Chinese—who acted as a sort of courier between the Communists and their foreign "contacts."

She is alleged to have been friendly with several members of the "bloc" which Hurley evidently had in mind.

There are persons, too, who believe that some of the broad-casts blared from Yenan, the Communist capital in Shensi, were conceived and written here in Chungking by sympathetic foreigners—not members of the U.S. Embassy staff. The "misguided" policy of the United States in China was sometimes taken as the theme.

Hurley's resignation statement and the reaction which followed in the United States have formed the principal topic of discussions in diplomatic, press and other quarters in Chungking for two days.

LION-HEARTED EFFORTS Supporters of Hurley said he came to China at a time of grave crisis and through his lion-hearted efforts did more than any other person to put heart into the Chinese and keep them in the war. It was his job to hold the country together as part of the global effort against Japan, and his admirers say he succeeded despite all the difficulties and handicaps he faced.

Hurley made gargantuan efforts to bring the Nationalists and Communists together so that the country's full weight might be thrown against Japan, and the prospect of a unified, peaceful post-war China followed briefly.

How far his efforts were "sabotaged" or how far they were a result of fundamental and insoluble differences between two parties are considered in Chungking to be imponderables.

Observers, however, say there might have been a greater chance of success if the Communists had not been misled by some other foreign admirers to overweight the support they would have abroad, especially in the United States, in even of a showdown with Chungking.—Associated Press.

Brian's Latest Offer

WASHINGTON, NOV. 30. MR. JUSTICE FREDERICK VINSON, SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY, SAID HERE TODAY THAT THE LATEST RESPONSE FROM BRITAIN CONCERNING THE ANGLO-AMERICAN FINANCIAL TALKS HAS BEEN CONSIDERED BY THE LEADERS OF THE TWO DELEGATIONS.

No agreement, however, has yet been reached.

Vinson expects the Bretton Woods Agreement to be ratified by enough countries, including Britain, to make it effective by the end of the year.—Reuter.

FRATERNISERS UPSET PEERS

TOKYO, NOV. 30. YOUTHFUL JAPANESE WERE CRITICISED IN THE HOUSE OF PEERS YESTERDAY FOR FRATERNIZATION WITH AMERICA.

Koichiro Nagatani introduced the subject during interpellation on government affairs, with the remark: "Although it is a good idea to mix and learn things, the way girls and boys are conducting themselves now is not the way to win respect."

He evidently referred to the uniformed mingling of soldiers and Japanese girls, which is a sharp departure from the usual aloof Japanese behaviour in public.—Associated Press.

Diet Sticks To Emperor System

TOKYO, NOV. 30. JAPAN'S PREMIER AND ONE OF THE LEADING RECONSTRUCTORS POLITICAL HAVE AGREED THAT THE EMPEROR SYSTEM SHOULD BE PERPETUATED UNDER A FORMAL DEMOCRACY DURING UNPRECEDENTED DISCUSSION OF THE FORMERLY TABOOED SUBJECT.

THE DISCUSSION HIGHLIGHTED A LISTLESS, LONG-WINDED CONTINUATION OF INTERPELLATIONS IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Ichiro Hatoyama, leader of the Liberal party, won mild applause when he declared "The Emperor system must be retained" as a bulwark against "possible dictatorships."

His statement came during interpellation wherein Hatoyama demanded to know the limits of the government's contemplated democratization.

Premier Baron Shidehara voiced agreement. He defined "democracy" as "representation of the will of the people" and said this was assured by freedom of thought and freedom of the press and "the equality of individuals."

Suehiro Uchida, a Social Democrat, voiced opposition of his minor party to what he called an "unintended" government reform bill, one of the major measures to be introduced at the end of the questioning period.

Uchida also predicted that the Cabinet would resign at the end of the session, but Shidehara brushed this off as a "reflex" of the opposition.—Associated Press.

Inside Dope

Washington, Nov. 30. Chairman Connally of the Foreign Affairs Committee said today that Major-General Hurley is being asked to appear on Wednesday to tell about events which led to his resignation as U.S. Ambassador to China.—Associated Press.

Foreign Banks Problems In Shanghai

Shanghai, Nov. 30. Lack of a fixed rate for foreign exchange constituted the chief reason for the prolonged delay in the re-opening of foreign banks in Shanghai, declared Mr. Pan Shih-chieh, Chief Secretary of the Shanghai Office of the Ministry of Finance, in an interview here.

He expressed the belief that as soon as a justifiable rate between Chinese National Dollars and foreign currencies was reached, foreign banks would resume operations.

Mr. Pan revealed that a number of informal discussions had been held between Chinese financial authorities and foreign bankers regarding early resumption of foreign banking.

In all probability, foreign banks would be invited to join as members of the Chinese Bankers' Association, and the Chinese Bankers' Association in Shanghai as member banks.

This invitation, he asserted, would doubtless help foreign banks to operate on the same basis as Chinese banks.—Reuter.

Hurley's Case To Be Aired

WASHINGTON, NOV. 29. ARMED WITH BROAD POWERS, SEN. GEORGE E. MARSHALL SPED HIS PREPARATIONS TO DAY FOR A QUICK FLIGHT TO CHINA WHILE THE EXPLOSIVE RESIGNATION OF HIS AMBASSADORIAL PREDECESSOR, PATRICK HURLEY, HEADED FOR AN AIRING IN CONGRESS.

Chairman Connally of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee said he plans to call Hurley before a closed session perhaps Monday. The purpose, Connally said, will be for an informal discussion of Hurley's contention that he was coerced by subordinates in the State Department and in Chungking.

Connally stressed that he had no intention of ordering any such full-dress hearing as Senator Wherry, Nebraska Republican, demanded in a blistering speech yesterday in the Senate. It appeared Marshall would get away from Chungking shortly.—Associated Press.

COMMUNISTS DON'T PRAISE HURLEY

Chungking, Nov. 30. The Communist paper, "New China Daily News," to-day called for a change in American policy in China. It said that the resignation of General Hurley offered a "golden opportunity."

The newspaper viewed the presence of more than 50,000 U.S. Marines in North China as an "intolerable disgrace imposed on the American people by Hurley."—Associated Press.

Hump Trips Cancelled

Washington, Nov. 30. The War Department stated today that the ferrying of American planes to Shanghai has ended because of bad weather which had caused the loss of several planes and crews.

The War Department spokesman had nothing to add to General Wedemeyer's statement that the planes were being collected in Shanghai where the Chinese could buy them if they wished.

About the loss of men, the spokesman said: "All Army air forces installations are operating on peace-time flying safety, which do not permit the taking of unnecessary risks because of adverse weather conditions over there which has resulted in the loss of several planes and their crews."—Associated Press.

"TIMES" SUGGESTION

London, Nov. 30. The present drift towards civil war in China can be checked by the preliminary agreement not to resort to force in the future, which would impose a "standstill" upon both sides and improve the prospects of a political settlement, suggests "The Times" in a leading article today.—Reuter.

SHOULD BE TRIED

Dallas, Texas, Nov. 29. Maj.-Gen. Claire Chennault, former American air commander in China, declared today that the career diplomats who were accused by ex-Ambassador Hurley of undermining American policy in China should be tried in civil courts.—Associated Press.

Washington, Nov. 30. President Truman reported the nation's reversion to peacetime ahead of schedule. The President said the country is in the midst of the great task, however, and inflationary pressures will also exist.—Associated Press.

TERAUCHI HANDS OVER SWORD

Salerno, Nov. 30. Count Terauchi, Supreme Commander of the Japanese Expeditionary Force in the Southern regions, made the final symbol of the surrender of his troops when he handed his priceless antique sword to Admiral Lord Louis Mountbatten, the Supreme Allied Commander in South-east Asia, at a private ceremony at the Headquarters of the S.P.A.C. here this morning.—Reuter.

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BRITISH MILITARY ADMINISTRATION (HONG KONG)
C.A.A. MEDICAL BRANCH
NOTICE

The Public is reminded of the necessity for boiling fresh milk before consumption as the pasteurising plants are not yet in operation.

Raw milk may carry various types of infection and the fact that it is in bottles should not be regarded as a guarantee of its safety.

J. P. FEHILLY
D.D.M.S. (C.A.)

BRITISH MILITARY ADMINISTRATION, HONG KONG
POLICE AND PRISONS BRANCH**PUBLIC ENTERTAINMENT LICENCE**

All places of public entertainment require to be licensed.

Places of public entertainment are defined in Ordinance No. 22 of 1919 as amended by Government Notification No. 587 of 1934. The definition includes theatres, cinema halls, skating rinks and similar undertakings.

Application for licence must be made to the Commissioner of Police without delay.

C. H. SANSOM,
Col. C.A. (Police)

Hong Kong,
25th November, 1945.

BRITISH MILITARY ADMINISTRATION
CENTRAL EXECUTIVE BRANCH**TENDER FOR SCHOOL DESK-TABLES & CHAIRS**

Tenders are invited for the supply of

New Desk tables and Chairs for schools. Patterns may be seen at Education Dept. 3rd floor, Fire Brigade Building.

Sealed tenders should be submitted in triplicate to,

The Chairman,
Tender Board,

Public Works Branch,
Civil Affairs Headquarters,

By 5 p.m. on Thursday, 6th December, 1945.

T. R. ROWELL,
Col. C.A.

Central Executive Branch,
Hong Kong,

29th November, 1945.

REPATRIATION NOTICE

No. 42

H.M.S. "LOTHIAN"

The undermentioned are listed for embarkation:—

SINGAPORE

Mr. Choo Seng Quee
Mr. Peh Kim Pew
Mrs. Ng Keng Fung
Miss Teo Ling
Mr. Chiu Tin Shan
Mr. Lim Teck Khoo
Mr. Loh Yoke Fu
Mr. Koh Hor Khoo
Mrs. B. Y. Yip and child
Mr. Tan Hee Wong & family
Mr. Tan Leong Chin
Miss E. L. L. Pak
Mr. C. H. Tan & family
Mr. Wong Cheung Hon
Mr. Lim Chee Tat

H. K. V. D. O.
Pet. Chan Kwong Fook
" Leo Wee Soon
" Lau Hun Ming
" Lin Sun Lam & family

SHANGHAI

The Rt. Rev. H. Valtorta
" J. H. Horowitz (HKKYDO)

Hongkong passengers will assemble at Queen's Pier at 2.30 p.m. on Saturday, December 1st, 1945 and Kowloon passengers will assemble at Naval Landing Base (Between Star Ferry & Kowloon Godown Wharves) at 3.15 p.m. to await Embarkation Officer.

Passengers must NOT board the vessel without first obtaining their embarkation cards, which will be issued at assembly points.

The above does NOT include passengers listed by RAPWI.

REPATRIATION OFFICE
HONG KONG TRAMWAYS LIMITED.
NOTICE

Tramcar service on the Causeway Bay-Shaukiwan route will now be extended from Ming Yuen, King's Road, as far as Taikoo Dockyard.

As from Monday, 3rd December, a regular service will be operated from Taikoo Dock (West Gate) to Western Market.

W. F. SIMMONS,
Acting General Manager.

1st December, 1945.

PUBLIC AUCTION

One lot Sundry Articles will be sold by Public Auction on Sunday, 2nd December, 1945, commencing 2 p.m. at premises of undersigned (60A, Nathan Road, 1st Floor). Inspection will be open to the public as from 1 p.m. on the same day and at the same premises.

Terms: Cash
The Rowland Auction House,
(Tel. 56125)
Auctioneers

BRITISH MILITARY ADMINISTRATION, HONG KONG
LEGAL BRANCH

In re: Custodian Proclamation

No. 10 of 1945

SALE BY TENDER (S.M.)

The Acting Custodian of Property is prepared to accept bids in writing for the undermentioned merchandise now lying in the premises of Messrs. Whiteaway, Laidlaw & Co. Ltd., 20 Des Voeux Road Central, Hong Kong.

Inspection may be made on application to Messrs. Whiteaway, Laidlaw & Co. Ltd. between 9 and 10 o'clock each morning of the 1st, 3rd, 4th and 5th December, 1945.

Bids may be made for all or any of Lots 1 to 8.

Bids, in sealed covers, should be deposited with the Chairman, Tender Board, Public Works Branch, Civil Affairs H.Q., C.S.O. Building (Ground Floor) on or before noon 6th December, 1945.

The Acting Custodian does not bind himself to accept the highest or any tender.

Acting Custodian of Property
Victoria, 30th November, 1945.

Merchandise above referred to:—

Lot No. 1: 39 pairs Men's Slippers
22 pairs Men's Shoes
1620 pairs Rubber Shoes
390 pairs Ladies' Socks
1300 pairs Ladies' Cotton Stockings (white)
1420 pairs Ladies' Cotton Stockings (black)
450 pairs Ladies' Art. Silk Stockings
750 pairs Ladies' Art. Silk Socks

Lot No. 2: 3140 pairs Men's Art. Silk Socks (assorted colours)
2020 pairs Men's Cotton Socks (Black)
620 pieces Men's Neck Ties

Lot No. 3: 395 pieces Shirts (Khaki)
121 sets Men's Art. Silk Pyjamas
150 pieces Men's Cotton Singlets
1025 pieces Men's Cotton Vests
120 pieces Men's Cotton Sports Shirts (Assorted Colours)

Lot No. 4: 1760 pieces Men's Cotton Pants
710 pieces Babies' Dresses
530 pieces Cotton Ringtons (short sleeved)
1800 sets Umbrella Ropes and Rings

Lot No. 5: 6750 boxes Face Powder
54 bottles Liquid Stockings
52 pieces Soap Cases
600 pieces Lipsticks
850 jars Lemon Cream
1700 pieces Tooth Powder

Lot No. 6: 6750 boxes Face Powder
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Lot No. 7: 6750 boxes Face Powder
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WORDS, WORDS, WORDS

"What do you read, my Lord," inquired Inquisitive Polonius, only to be snubbed by the Prince of Denmark: "Words, words, words." Shakespeare's rich verbiage makes mock of all recent attempts at devitalizing the lively English language and rendering it unrecognizable through phonetic or other forms of simplified spelling. Words are among the few consumer commodities not in short supply. They can be exported and imported duty free. Furthermore they cannot be bought for dollars or sterling, or any currency save that which jingles in the brain of lexicographer or philologist. There is no patrician need to dehydrate the English tongue like so many fresh eggs to be crammed into a small package. No printer's devil could harm language so much as some of these theorists who forget that words have grown beyond the picture stage of their infancy to sounds conjuring up countless different images and allusions. Were they spelled differently, often half the charm would fly.

The other day, for example, a correspondent referred to ancillary trades, summoning up a vision of trades which are hand-maidens (like a Roman "ancilla") to more important industries. Trades thus described seem to trip realistically along to the reader whose school Latin is less remote than his industrial knowledge. Spelled differently, ancillary would become a cliché devoid of all imagery, so would mortgage, with its mediaeval flavour of a dead pledge as well as multitudinous other words, while William Wordsworth's "little Cyclops with one eye" would be quite put out!

Such new spelling systems, on lines that have often been mooted, would also deprive us of one of the most enjoyable ways of spending a wet afternoon. For what (except perhaps a "cookery book") makes more an interesting reading than a dictionary? Who set a braver literary fashion than Dr. Johnson with his Lexicon? A dictionary is a magic carpet, not only transports the reader not only into far off crimes but far off times as well. Malacca canes and leghorn straws, port wine with brazil nuts placed on sherraton tables whisk us round the globe in ecstasy.

Then there are all the words not in the dictionary—yet, and the words which have changed in meaning and go on changing. A collaborator before the war was quite a useful friend to have. Look at him now! American slang comes across the Atlantic to enrich us with words like "pikinated" for crazy. The current Oxford Dictionary admits only "piky-lead, 1659, led astray by pixies," but perhaps it amounts to the same thing! Future editors of dictionaries would do well to consider a handful of the choicer nonsense words which have claimed a definite place in our language—words like Lewis Carroll's "brillig," and Edward Lear's "runcible." But the Oxford Dictionary has let down at least one newcomer. Under "runcible" comes the entry: "A runcible coach, carriage or cart, 1816, derived from the Middle English runcible and tumbel." An angel-on-horseback by analogy might mean a King's Messenger.

CASE DISMISSED

Tam Kiang, of No. 54, Des Voeux Road Central, was charged before Mr. C. Y. Kwan yesterday, with fraudulent conversion of the stock-in-trade of the business of the Great Wall Leather Goods Company, on October 8.

It was alleged that the goods were entrusted to accused by Lo Fulean and Yu Man-chari, partners of the Great Wall Leather Goods Company, in 1942. Accused was alleged to have converted them to his own use.

Mr. H. Lowry, for the defence, said that the goods which the Police were holding, at present represented quite a different stock from the goods lost in 1942. The information which had caused the arrest of his client was entirely false.

After hearing the facts, Mr. Kwan dismissed the case, and the defendant was released.

Arthur Seyss-Inquart

The Original Quisling

NUERNBERG, NOV. 30. TWENTY NAZI OVERLORDS RANGED THE GAMUT FROM TEARS AND NAUSEA TO CURT INDIFFERENCE AS THE MAGGOT-RIDDEN HORRORS OF GERMAN DEATH FACTORIES LOOMED ON THE NUERNBERG COURTROOM MOVIE SCREEN FOR AN HOUR. THE FORMER GOVERNOR-GENERAL OF POLAND, HANS FRANK, WAS SO UNNERVED BY THE HORRIBLE SPECTACLE THAT HE DID NOT LIFT HIS HEAD FOR 10 MINUTES, WHILE HE SAT IN A SWEAT.

Wilhelm Keitel, former chief of the German high command, wiped his mouth with a white handkerchief and stalked quickly out.

Walther Funk, the above former minister of economics, brushed away tears from the fleshy pockets under his eyes.

Hermann Goering was sober for the first time during the session. Rudolf Hess, more alert to his surroundings than on any occasion since the start of the war crimes trial, wiped his sweating palms.

Hjalmar Schacht, his wizened mouth drawn to a narrow line, refused to look at any of the scenes from the official American documentary film, taken at such terror spots as Dachau, Buchenwald and Belsen after their liberation last spring. He turned his back to the screen throughout and sat with his face toward the press gallery.

SCHACHT'S CASE. His attorney, Rudolf Dix, told the Associated Press: "Mr. Schacht, since he himself was imprisoned at Dachau by the Nazi government, considers himself also to be a victim of the concentration camp system, and regardless of whatever political mistakes he made in his career he feels he was not humanly responsible for such crimes as the film shows."

Dix declined a prosecution invitation to attend a preview of the movie two nights ago on the grounds: "I am ashamed of what my fellow Germans have done and could only bring myself to see it when it is my official duty."

American Assistant Prosecutor Thomas J. Dodd prefaced the exhibition by telling the tribunal, "We intend to prove to each and every one that the defendants knew of the existence of these concentration camps and used them as instruments of terror to enforce their control on the German people and to obliterate freedom in Germany and the invaded countries."

Before the showing of the films, records were introduced by the American prosecutors in an attempt to prove the German high command drew up detailed plans for the "surprise war" against Austria at the time Hitler was telling the world he had no territorial ambitions.

It was the second straight day in which the prosecutors unfolded a chain story of Nazi intrigue, deceit, and fifth column activities.

Assistant U.S. Prosecutor Sidney S. Alderman produced a directive from Marshal Werner von Blomberg in which the former secretary of war was quoted as saying "there might be special preparations for war against Austria."

The war plan was introduced over the objections of counsel for Col. Gen. Fred Jodl, German army chief of staff. Associated Press.

Additional evidence was introduced of the cunning and deceit of the Nazi leaders in paving the way to territorial conquests.

THE ORIGINAL QUISLING. The tribunal was told how Goering, the night before the Anschluss, personally delivered an ultimatum to the President of Austria in a telephone conversation to Vienna with Arthur Seyss-Inquart, who was described yesterday as "the original Quisling."

The following day in a telephone talk with Joachim von Ribbentrop in London, Goering told the Nazi diplomat that reports of such an ultimatum were "foolish gossip."

When assistant U.S. Prosecutor Sidney Alderman read this into the record Franz von Papen, wily Nazi diplomat, export, broke into one of his rare wolfish grins.

The conversations also revealed that Goering personally dictated the famous telegram that Seyss-Inquart sent to Hitler, asking for help, after Goering told him "he need not really send the telegram. All that was necessary, Goering told him, was to agree to it and then announce it publicly."

GOERING LAUGHS. At this bit of Nazi duplicity was read, Goering burst into laughter so that his whole body shook.

The account of the aggression against Austria was finished in mid-afternoon and the remainder of the day was devoted to the film showing.

When the films of the horror camps started, an officer warned out of the courtroom.

A well-dressed Chinese, Lam Yung, was fined \$100 by Mr. A. J. Carroll at the Summary Military Court yesterday for unlawful possession of 30 bottles of beer in Queen's Road Central on Thursday.

The beer which was a type of "Pilsener" was found in a box.

TOBACCO CASE

Charlie Gray, of No. 1, Shan Kwong Road, was charged before Mr. C. Y. Kwan yesterday, with possession of two packages of "Prince Albert" tobacco without a permit from a duly authorized officer of the Forces, on November 12.

Wong Yan-sun of No. 263, Des Voeux Road Central, second floor, was charged with a similar offence.

Mr. M. A. da Silva appeared in both cases, while Detective Sergeant Waldron was for the prosecution.

Hearing was fixed for Wednesday, December 5, at 11.30 a.m. Bail of \$5 was allowed.

The forthcoming wedding of Mr. William Robert Wilkinson and Miss Beatrice Maria Soares has been announced.

READERS' LETTERS

A LITTLE DE-HUNKING

Sir, The majority of your Readers' Letters bear, I find, pseudonyms utterly typical of the writers' mentalities. "Brown Knobs" representing a bunch of jealous R.A.F. "Democrits."

democratically anxious to show that there is at least one man who will fight for the poor.

I think perhaps the most miserable cry of all is that of the sneering serviceman against a man who has little or no overseas service. Since which has the soldier or airman had the power of governing his own destiny. Did the grumblers stand up with proud head erect and say, "My country needs me in the Far East; I must go." Oh no! A guy comes round and says, "Brown, you're on the next draft," and Brown says among other things, "Damn!"

I can even sympathize with the chaps in Blighty. They endure an everlasting parade of gibes, and taunts of "Why aren't you abroad—my son is." Wait though, I know your reply to that. They're back home and you're not. But given the same chance, would you throw it aside with scorn and say, "No, it is my duty to go about ten thousand miles from home. I must go. England expects." Who jacks you kidding? There isn't one chap in a thousand who wouldn't jump at the chance.

High-falootin' patriotism is hardly in my line. I'm a Scot of Canadian-Scottish descent. I live there not because I think it's the greatest country in the world but because I found satisfactory employment there. If any other country had offered better prospects I shouldn't have hesitated to leave Scotland. No, I'm not rambling. My point is that we fought in this war (speaking for the majority) because we were told to. We went to India, Burma, China because we were ordered. And we have no "licks" coming against the blokes back home who were also told to stay. Demob? Oh! I reckon I'll go back some day when the Powers That Be decree. Until then, this is just another country I'm not particularly interested in.

My pseudonym is typical of my doubtful mentality.

"WHO CARES?"

BLACK SHEEP

Sir,—This letter is especially intended for the people that brand those who stayed during the Japanese occupation as traitors, rogues, etc. "Hong Kong Born" and "British-by-Birth" have already partly answered them.

We fully realize that many who left rendered invaluable services to the Allied Cause. Particularly the doctors and their helpers whose work was unending.

But apart from them, and those who fled for fear of starvation, Japanese brutalities and American bombs, are still others who served the Allies only for their own ends, and in places far behind the lines.

Some of them now strut around Hong Kong in uniforms with pip's. Yet there are thousands who have really fought and suffered—the men of the Navy, Army, Air Force and Volunteers. Many of them have not been awarded a single stripe.

Undoubtedly there were black sheep who stayed behind. But there were also many who left.

POT. POURRI.

COLLABORATION

Sir,—Nowadays, it is the custom to condemn those who collaborated with the enemy in any shape or form. Yet, it is surprising to observe that such as enemy collaborators are condemned, little or no regard is paid to the part played by these collaborators when they can be of service in helping one to make money. I refer to the cinema business. During the years of the Pacific War, the proprietors of certain theatres in Macao went out of their way to co-operate with the Japanese and exhibited, not only Japanese propaganda films, but also films looted from Allied sources and, on the strength of backing from the Japanese Special Branch in Macao, secured the exhibition of Allied films. Disgraceful!

United Nations Organization. Along this line, the Arab-Jewish dispute in Palestine is likely to be one of the

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Will all clubs or persons interested in badminton please get into touch with M.A. Oliveira, Current Accounts Department, H.K. and S. Bank, Tel. 39559.

M. TALON,
(Secretary).

NOTICE

During the temporary absence from the Colony of Mr. V. C. Labrum, Mr. F. Braun is appointed Managing Director of Ye Olds Interior, Ltd.

THE HONG KONG ELECTRIC CO., LTD.
DOMESTIC POWER SUPPLY.

Owing to existing conditions it is regretted that no connections can be permitted for domestic power supply until such time as the Company is able to effect repairs to bring further plant into commission.

A further notice will be issued when the power for domestic use is available.

THE HONG KONG ELECTRIC CO., LTD.
Hong Kong,
23th November, 1945.

THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC CO., LTD.
FLUORESCENT LIGHTING

It has come to our notice that consumers are connecting fluorescent lamps to their installations without the required condensers. The Company's Wiring Rules read in part:—

"27. G.A.E. 18 LAMPS.

The company will not allow any lamp to be connected or to remain connected to its supply unless it is fitted with an efficient device to raise its power factor to 0.8 and may disconnect forthwith any installation in which such a lamp or lamps do not comply with this requirement."

It is realised that condensers are not yet available, but as soon as supplies arrive, the above rule will be strictly enforced.

Consumers are requested to register the number of fluorescent lamps on their installation at the Company's HEAD OFFICE, P. & O. Building.

THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC CO., LTD.
Hong Kong, 1st December, 1945.

BRITISH MILITARY ADMINISTRATION (HONG KONG)
WORKS BRANCH—CIVIL AFFAIRS
NOTICE
WATER SUPPLY

The supply of water in the Colony is limited and present consumption is high. The Public is requested to assist in conserving the supply by preventing waste and by economising in the use of water.

Leakage should be reported to Waterworks complaints Depots which are open day and night. The telephone numbers are 39420 in Hong Kong and 50949 in Kowloon.

J. FORBES, Lt. Col.
Water Authority

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NOTICE

The following is an extract from the Waterworks Ordinance:

"Licensing of Plumbers"

Every person, except the authorized officers of the water authority, who intends to carry out for a consumer any work in connection with the construction, alteration or repair of inside services or fire services which are to deliver water supplied from the waterworks must first obtain a licence from the water authority."

Will all persons who intend to carry out work of the nature described above please apply for a licence at the office of the Water Authority, St. George's Building.

J. FORBES, Lt. Col.
Water Authority

YOUNG KING PETER LOSES CROWN

BOMBAY TIDAL WAVE

Bombay, Nov. 30.
The death list from drownings in the tidal wave which swept into beach suburbs of Bombay during Wednesday's severe earthquake was placed at 13 to-day.

The quake's epicentre was believed to have been in the Arabian sea off Indian Ocean. Associated Press.

Down The Sink

TOKYO, NOV. 30.
JAPAN'S YEARS OF RESEARCH AND POTENTIAL FUTURE PROBING INTO THE REALM OF ATOMIC ENERGY CAME TO AN END AS AMERICAN ENGINEERS DUMPED OVER 350 TONS OF NISHINA CYCLOTRON WRECKAGE IN TO THE SEA OFF YOKO HAMA.

Two small freighters carried the broken remnants of two cyclotrons and other equipment to a point where they were dropped to an undisclosed depth.

A group of American scientists condemned General MacArthur's decision for ordering the scientific equipment's destruction, but a statement issued yesterday from his headquarters said the action was taken on instructions from higher authority. Associated Press.

Jap General Joins Reds

Chungking, Nov. 30.
A Chinese press dispatch quoted Gen. Ho Ying-ching, commander of the Central Government field troops, as saying yesterday that all Japanese forces in China have been disarmed except 100,000 in Hopei and Shantung provinces. He predicted repatriation of all Japanese in China would be completed within nine months.

A dispatch to Chungking said the Japanese have been disarmed in Indo-China and the task would be completed in Formosa by tomorrow.

General Ho charged that several prominent Japanese had joined the Chinese Communist forces, including General Sakai, former chief of staff of the Kwantung Army. Associated Press.

INDIA SEIZES ON HURLEY OUTBURST

New Delhi, Nov. 30.
Sharp criticism of United States foreign policy was touched off in Indian newspapers representing all shades of political opinion over the resignation of Ambassador Hurley and his sharp criticism of State Department operations.

One paper said the United States is being "sucked" into a power bloc on the side of colonial imperialism.

"There is a case for absolute non-intervention by the United States in the present civil strife in China," another paper asserted. "There is a much stronger case for effective intervention with a view to eliminating Kuomintang and Communist authoritarianism and to establish real democracy in that country." Associated Press.

SAFETY OF MOTOR JUNKS ORDER

The Harbour Office have issued regulations covering the provision of life-saving and fire-fighting equipment on all motor junks.

All vessels must now have on board at all times sufficient equipment to provide for the safety of passengers and crew in the event of an emergency.

Life-jackets may now be purchased through the Harbour Office at \$3 each.

Five extinguishers and sand must be carried by all mechanically propelled vessels.

JORDAN RD. ROBBERY

Four armed robbers entered the first floor of No. 6, Jordan Road, last night.

The premises were occupied by Au Young-leung and his niece. At about 8 o'clock, Au was out, leaving the girl alone in the house. The four men forced open the door and ransacked the house.

Two Chinese were arrested later, on suspicion that they were connected with the robbery.

GENERAL EISENHOWER CRITICISES FRENCH

Frankfurt, Germany, Nov. 30.
The new Chief of Staff of the U.S. Army, General Dwight Eisenhower, in a report released to-day criticized the French Government for hampering the Allied Control Council and urged an early establishment of the Central German administrative machinery. Associated Press.

FIVE-FAMILY CONTROL OF HAWAII

Washington, Nov. 30.
The Secretary of the Interior to-day indicated he would not make any early recommendation favouring statehood for Hawaii.

He declared that a new conference that he was not "necessarily" endorsing, but indicated that he was disturbed over "the economic control that five families exert over them." Associated Press.

Republic Set Up In Yugoslavia

LONDON, NOV. 30.
THE 11-YEAR REIGN OF KING PETER OF YUGOSLAVIA ENDED TO-NIGHT WHEN THE YUGOSLAV CONSTITUENT ASSEMBLY FORMALLY PROCLAIMED A REPUBLIC. THE ANNOUNCEMENT, WHICH DECIDES THE FATE OF THE FIRST OF EUROPE'S LIST OF "MONARCHS IN EXILE," WAS MADE OVER BELGRADE RADIO AFTER A JOINT SESSION OF THE YUGOSLAV ASSEMBLY AT WHICH THE "FEDERAL PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF YUGOSLAVIA" WAS PROCLAIMED.

THE PROCLAMATION EXPLAINED THAT THIS REPUBLIC IS A "UNIFIED PEOPLES' GOVERNMENT. IT ADDED THAT THE MONARCHY HAD BEEN 'ABOLISHED' AND THAT KING PETER, TOGETHER WITH HIS ENTIRE DYNASTY, WAS DEPRIVED OF ALL RIGHTS PREVIOUSLY VESTED IN THE HOUSE OF KARAGEORGEVICH.

Britain, King Peter's host, will raise no objection to the decision of the Constituent Assembly.

The decision has caused no surprise in London, where it had long been expected as a result of the policy of Marshal Joseph Tito, whose government recently received an overwhelming vote of confidence at the polls.

Problem arising out of the agreement of November, 1944, which provided for a plebiscite on the question of the monarchy, could be countered by this government's argument that the recent general election, in which this question was one of the main issues, was in fact such a plebiscite.

Reuter commentator Robert Lloyd to-night wrote that the decision to depose Peter means that the new Federal Yugoslavia has cut all links with the old kingdom of Serbia and has struck the first blow for a wider federation of southern Europe which may come to include Bulgaria and stretch across the Balkans from the Adriatic to the Black Sea.

For 140 years, ever since Kara-George led the first Serb revolt against the Turks in 1804, the fate of his descendants has been closely linked with Serbian nationalism and military tradition. Their rivalry with the Obrenovichs, with whom they alternated in ruling the country, gradually developed from a tribal family feud into a constant struggle between two armed sections in the Serb officers corps.

Decision came when the last Obrenovich was murdered in 1903 and Peter the First, grandfather of the present King, ascended the throne.

But secret military groups remained and even gained in importance as the otherwise poor and backward country proved its military prowess in the Balkan wars and in the First World War, for which the assassination of the Austrian Archduke Franz Ferdinand by one of these groups, the "Black Hand," furnished the occasion.

NEW YUGOSLAVIA
When the peace-makers of 1919 decided to allow the southern Slavs to unite in a single state the new Yugoslavia was built round the Serbian army and dynasty. It was hoped that the monarchy would provide an element of cohesion for the "Kingdom of the Serbs, Croats and Slovenes" linking the more highly developed former subjects of the Austro-Hungarian monarchy with the Roman Catholic and Greek Orthodox Serbs on a backwash.

This hope was not fulfilled and in 1929 King Alexander transformed the constitution into a Serb military dictatorship, and ever since then the Croat and Slovene opposition has been a source of internal police rule.

The accession of Prince Paul as Regent for the minor Peter the Second after the assassination of King Alexander at Marseilles

98 COMMUNISTS IN BULGARIAN LIST
Sofia, Nov. 30.
The Bulgarian National Assembly elected on Nov. 18 is likely to be summoned to its first meeting on Dec. 15, according to a statement made to-day by the Foreign Minister, M. Stainov at Plovdiv.

As there was only one list of candidates at the elections, that of the Fatherland Front, composition of the Assembly will be identical with that of the official list. According to the last pre-election announcement these lists contained 98 Communists, 80 Fatherland Front wing of the Agrarians, 46 from the party which developed from the military group led by Premier Georgiev, 31 from the Fatherland Front wing of the Social-Democrats and members of the small Radical Party.

The three legal Opposition Parties, the Agrarians, Social-Democrats and Democratic Party have boycotted the Assembly and will not be represented.

Official results of the elections show that out of 4,504,795 registered electors, 3,802,492, or 82 per cent, went to the polls. Reuter.

Pearl Harbour, Nov. 30.
Rear-Adm. DeWitt Clinton Ramsey took over his new post as deputy commander of the Pacific Fleet and deputy commander of the Pacific ocean areas yesterday. He succeeds Vice-Adm. John E. Newton, who reaches retirement and permanent duty

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India's Roll

London, Nov. 30.
Indian war casualties reported up to August 14, 1945, were 179,935, according to Prime Minister Attlee in the House of Commons to-day in reply to a question.

Total Empire casualties were 1,246,025. Reuter.

YOSHIDA APOLOGISES TO DIET

TOKYO, NOV. 30.
A MEMBER OF THE HOUSE OF PEERS EXPRESSED THE OPINION TO-DAY DURING AN INTERPELLATION WAR WOULD NOT HAVE BEGUN IF THE JAPANESE NATION HAD BEEN INFORMED OF PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT'S PERSONAL MESSAGE TO THE EMPEROR THE DAY BEFORE THE PEARL HARBOR ATTACK.

"The Japanese nation was betrayed by a small number of leaders in just the same way as the United States was betrayed by Japanese militarists," he said.

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Truman Scouts Talk Of Drift To War

WASHINGTON, NOV. 30.
PRESIDENT TRUMAN ASSERTED EMPHATICALLY AT HIS PRESS CONFERENCE THAT HE DID NOT FEAR THAT SOVIET POLICIES WERE BLAZING THE WAY FOR ANOTHER WAR.

THIS WAS THE PRESIDENT'S REPLY AFTER A REPORTER ASKED HIM ABOUT TWO FEARS WHICH HE SAID SOME PEOPLE HOLD: FEAR THAT RUSSIA WILL NOT COOPERATE TO ASSURE WORLD PEACE AND FEAR THAT RUSSIA'S POLICIES WILL EVENTUALLY PRODUCE WAR.

The President gave further implied evidence of his confidence in Russia when he told reporters he saw no need of any further Big Three conferences if the United Nations Organization works as it should.

Asked whether revisions in the Allied control policy and machinery for Germany might require a meeting of himself, Josef Stalin and Prime Minister Attlee, the President said he was not in favour of special conferences.

President Truman said he hoped the United Nations would take over within the next few months all the problems previously worked out by the Big Three meetings.

The President disclosed negotiations now are under way among the Allied powers ruling Germany for revision of the Potsdam declaration.

The United States is seeking modification of the arrangement which requires unanimous agreement before any decision can be made by the Allied control council in Berlin.

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The instructions are yet to be outlined although the President said General Marshall's basic job would be to carry out policies which the United States always has had in China. The President said Ambassador Patrick Hurley's resignation reached his desk formally only yesterday morning.

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Dr. Sharir Hopes To
Calm Indonesians

(By Noel Buckley, Reuter's Special Correspondent)

BATAVIA, NOV. 30.

THE INDONESIAN PEOPLE ARE AT PRESENT IN NO MOOD TO ACCEPT DOMINIONS STATUS, THE INDONESIAN PRIME MINISTER, DR. SHARIR, TOLD ME TO-DAY.

THE 37-YEAR OLD LAWYER, EDUCATED AT LEYDEN UNIVERSITY IN HOLLAND, SUGGESTED THAT THERE WAS A POSSIBILITY OF AN AGREEMENT PROVIDING FOR RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE DUTCH AND THE INDONESIAN REPUBLIC ON THE LINES OF THAT EXISTING BETWEEN BRITAIN AND EIRE, WHEN THE PREMIER RECEIVED ME IN THE BIG WAITING-ROOM OF THE INFORMATION DEPARTMENT.

The Premier said: "Dutch recognition of our right to complete self-rule would be a basis for the re-opening of negotiations, but just now the word 'dominion' is most unpopular among the people."

Dr. Sharir, a small slight man with a smooth boyish face, but hollows under his eyes, betrayed the strain of the recent Nationalist Convention, where he won the support of the majority of the members present. He spoke with a low, weary voice, often raising his hand to his forehead.

He predicted a gradual cessation of hostilities throughout Java, with complete calm in a few weeks from now.

CALM BEFORE ALL.
"I have been in contact with the local leaders and they support my viewpoint and are not despondent even now to induce the young men to give up fighting."

"I realise that calm must come before everything, but people are excited now and they suspect the British because of the recent statements of Mr. Ernest Bevin, Foreign Secretary, and Mr. Clement Attlee, Prime Minister, that the British had a moral obligation to restore Dutch rule. When the British make a move people think they are doing it to assist the Dutch," he said.

Dr. Sharir himself hopes to undertake a tour of the disturbed areas as soon as possible, but at present, he has much work in Batavia and the difficulties of movement inland are considerable while hostilities continue.

SUFFICIENT AUTHORITY.
The Premier was convinced that he could establish the unquestioned authority of his Government over all Java. He attributed the attacks on the ex-prisoners-of-war and ex-internee camps to the alleged previous political activities by the Dutch.

Dr. Sharir made it clear that he appreciated the Dutch determination not to surrender their economic interests in Java, but that he considered their claim to political control unjustified.

"If the word 'dominion' is used, 90 per cent of the people will reject it," he said. "When calm comes, I think the people will be in a better mood to discuss relations with the Dutch and the British."

The disturbances accounted for the absence of nearly 50 per cent of the members from the recent Convention, he thought. "Many of them have written assuring me of their support."

DUE TO TENSION.
Discussing the disturbances Dr. Sharir said: "I think the British are too ready to fight. Though the extremists were not

blameless, their attitude was 'due to the tension'.
He added: "I understand the importance of the task which the British have to do, but I think that under the present circumstances a force comprised of contingents from the Allied armies would be better."

"I am in constant touch with the British here, Staff Officers call and see me frequently, and our relations are excellent."
He was unable to predict what the next move would be, or when it would be made, after his emissaries were in the country seeking to end the hostilities. When this trouble dies down, then I think it will be possible to resume the talks," he said.

NEED TO GET AWAY

Asked what he thought should be done with the 200,000 ex-prisoners of war and internee refugees throughout Java, Dr. Sharir said: "I think it would be better they were evacuated. Most of them left the camps expecting to go back to the old colonial order, and now they are frightened. I know that many of them are Java-born, and I think there will certainly be a place for them in an Independent Java, but they need to get away from Java, at least for a holiday, to get a sense of the post-war world," Reuter.

TEHERAN ALARM
SOMEWHAT EASED

TEHERAN, NOV. 30.

AZERBAIJAN INSURGENT FORCES HAVE SWERVED ABRUPTLY IN THEIR PUSH DOWN COMMUNICATION ROUTES TOWARD TEHERAN. IT WAS REPORTED TO-DAY, EASING GROWING UNEASINESS IN THIS IRANIAN CAPITAL.

IT WAS DISCLOSED OFFICIALLY THAT THE IRANIAN GOVERNMENT HAS RECEIVED A NOTE FROM THE SOVIET EMBASSY IN REPLY TO IRAN'S PROTEST THAT ITS MILITARY FORCES WERE BEING IMPED BY RUSSIAN AUTHORITIES.

The contents of the Soviet reply were kept secret, but best informed sources described the note as unsatisfactory.

There is no indication here of Russian reaction to notes in which the United States suggested withdrawal of all foreign troops from Iran and Britain urged strict adherence to the tripartite agreement of non-intervention in Iranian affairs.

In spite of the polite and careful wording of the British and United States notes to Moscow, the Persian crisis threatens to develop into yet another first class political row between the Big Three, states the London Left-Wing weekly newspaper "Tribune" in its issue to-day.

"The Russian move, adds the "Tribune," of giving political—and perhaps military—backing to the Communist-led autonomist rising in Persian Azerbaijan can hardly be in accord with the Teheran Conference, undertaking to respect the independence, sovereignty and territorial integrity of Persia."

The "Tribune" says that Persia, one of the poorest countries in the world, was to-day in a state bordering on economic anarchy and adds:

"What that country needs is not complete non-intervention by the Big Three which, in the prevailing set up, might easily lead to civil war."

"On the contrary, Persia needs genuine intervention in the case of economic and political anarchy, and an agreement by the Powers concerned to help Persia to establish a genuine democratic government in their country, perhaps with the aid of expert economic and governmental advisers," Reuter.

RUSSIAN THREAT

London, Nov. 30.

A spokesman for the Iranian embassy declared to-day that Russian troops had threatened to reinforce army garrisons in northern Iran if fresh Iranian troops moved into that troubled area, while insurgent activities were reported to have spread to a third province.

In Washington, the Iranian ambassador said a Russian note to Iran on saying blood would result if more Iranian forces moved northward. Iranian sources said Russia rejected Iran's request for permission to send reinforcements to the north provinces.—Associated Press.

MORE PROTESTS

Washington, Nov. 30.

The Persian Ambassador disclosed to-day he had told U.S. Secretary of State Byrnes of the new Persian protests to Russia. First was against the "continued presence of Soviet military which created a tense situation in the capital." Second, protest urged the Soviet Embassy to "take urgent steps for the removal of obstacles placed in the way of

Persian reinforcements being sent to the troubled areas."

The Ambassador said "I have since heard that the insurgents are rapidly marching on Teheran when the situation appears critical."—Reuter.

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LAST OF MOHICANS

Honolulu, Nov. 30.

A report received here yesterday said more than 100 Japanese on long-conquered Saipan are expected to surrender formally Saturday.

Organized resistance on Saipan ended in July, 1944, but remnants of the Japanese force have continued on the island.—Associated Press.

Spare Me, Says
The Judge

BRISTOL, NOV. 30.

CHARLES LOUIS PLAGEMAN—A BLACK MAN FROM TOBAGO—MR. JUSTICE CHARLES CALLED HIM—DENIED AT BRISTOL ASSIZES TO-DAY THAT HE WALKED ABOUT THE FACTORY SINGING HYMNS AND SENTIMENTAL SONGS.

He just hummed, he said. And he told the judge "If I were working here and I was displeased I would just sing 'Jesus, Lover of My Soul' softly."

"Don't do it, please," said Mr. Justice Charles.
Plageman, aged 63, of Catcross Road, Eastville, Bristol, lost a claim for damages for alleged wrongful dismissal. It was stated that Plageman formerly owned the Valley Engineering Company, Bristol, but entered into an agreement that a company should purchase it for £8,000 and employ him as works manager at £12.10.0 a week.

Plageman, it was said, had attended the factory for only four hours daily and was absent for months at a time. In a letter read in court it was alleged his singing had caused "disaffection and embarrassment" to the work people.

Plageman's counsel said, "My client was trying to make up the deficiency of the B.B.C.'s 'Music While You Work'." Reuter.

KEEN BASKETBALL
CONTEST

"For four years we have been allied in a hard struggle and tonight's game will give us still better understanding," said E. McCulloch, manager of the U.S. Canaba basketball team last night at the opening of the game against the Chinese Y.M.C.A. team.

After 40 minutes of hard play and excitement, the Yanks managed to win by 32 to 26.

Although admissions were \$1 and \$2, all tickets were sold out.

On the whole, the "Y" team was better in combination, but the Canaba boys had a great asset in their height. Shaffer, Eggen and Gates shone for the Americans.

Before the game, two Chinese girls' teams gave an exhibition with Shaffer as referee.

FRIENDLY SOCCER

A friendly football game will be played this afternoon between 007 Co. Royal Engineers and Kwong Wah at 4.15 p.m. at Chatham Road.

A good game is expected as the Sappers have so far done well in all their games.

Sappers will be represented by—Laws, Hill and Ward; Morris, Brazier and Wise (Capt); Thomas, Townsley, Ross, Lamb and Harris.

The game will be refereed by Lieut. Jack, the Army footballer and he will be assisted by Cherris and Skeets as linesmen.

R.A.F. SOCCER XI

Players in the Royal Air Force team which will play the Combined Chinese XI to-morrow afternoon are to be numbered. The team has been selected as follows: Pope (1); Hyde or Cowan (2); Simons (3); Dawn or Bailey (4); Lemox (5); Smith (6); Boyd (7); Lohman (8); Stokes (9); Kealey (10); Brooks (11); Reuter.

R.A.F. players are asked to assemble at the Star Ferry, Kowloon, at 2 p.m.

Prospects of a firm footing for Army's brilliant ball carriers helped to-day to maintain the Odds at 2/1 point favourites over the Navy in Saturday's traditional football game. With the stadium sold out for the approximately 100,000 capacity, tickets for the game were reported to be selling in the "black market" for 10/6 a pair.—Associated Press.

DAYS BEFORE
PEARL HARBOUR

WASHINGTON, NOV. 30.

MAJ.-GEN. SHERMAN MILES TOLD CONGRESSIONAL INVESTIGATORS YESTERDAY THAT THE ARMY DID NOT LET OVERSEAS COMMANDERS KNOW ABOUT PRE-WAR JAPANESE MESSAGES BEING INTERCEPTED AS A RESULT OF CRACKING JAPANESE CODES.

HE TESTIFIED THAT THE SECRET THAT THE ARMY AND NAVY WERE READING JAPANESE MESSAGES WAS SO HIGHLY PRIZED IN THE MONTHS PRIOR TO THE PEARL HARBOUR ATTACK THAT IT WAS THE DISTINCT POLICY TO CONFINE THESE MESSAGES TO A VERY FEW TOP OFFICIALS IN WASHINGTON.

Miles, who headed army intelligence at the time of the Pearl Harbour attack, said the basic reason for limitation was the closing of any possibility of leaks.

The congressional committee learned that army intelligence officers predicted two days before the Japanese attack that Japan's leaders wanted "to avoid general war in the Pacific." This estimate of Japan's intentions was included in military documents placed before the committee.

The records also showed: army intelligence officers thought 10 days before Pearl Harbour that Japan's next military move would be an invasion of Thailand.

General Marshall sent a last minute alert to Lt.-Gen. Walter Short, Army commander in Hawaii, which was received there about an hour before the Japanese struck.

AN HOUR'S WARNING
The message was sent by commercial cable because the Army radio was not working properly, and it was not delivered to Short until three hours later.

Marshall will be called as a witness before he leaves for China.

The committee also was informed that American naval attaches in Japan and some parts of China were notified three days before the Pearl Harbour attack to destroy their codes.

The two-week-old Pearl Harbour disaster hearing turned to-day despite Republican protests against dropping the State Department angles "without notice."

ALL LINED-UP
Senator Ferguson, Michigan Republican, told reporters he had been planning a line of questioning for Max Hamilton, chief of the State Department's Far Eastern division at the time of the Japanese attack.

Counsel for the Senate House Committee announced yesterday that after brief testimony by former Secretary of State Hull and the windup appearance of former Ambassador Joseph Grew, the witnesses would be Maj.-Gen. Sherman Miles and Vice-Admiral Theodore S. Wilkieson. They were the chiefs of Army and Navy Intelligence at the time of the Pearl Harbour attack.

Ferguson agreed with other Committee members that General Marshall should be heard before he leaves for China. Chairman Barkley said the Committee was in touch with Marshall, and "in case he is just on the verge of leaving, we could call him right away."

BE ON ALERT

A document entered in the records of the committee showed Marshall's last minute warning to the Hawaiian commander—delivered after the attack—said: "The Japanese are presenting a 1 p.m. eastern standard time to-day what amounts to an ultimatum. Also they are under orders to destroy their code machine immediately. Just what significance the hour set may have we do not know but be on alert accordingly. Inform naval authorities of this communication."

A previous investigation by the Army showed Marshall and his phone General MacArthur—a warning in the Philippines. Another entry showed the Navy sent a message to Asiatic Fleet commanders and others on Nov. 20, 1941, saying chances for a favorable outcome to negotiations with Japan were very doubtful and warned of the possibility of an aggressive movement in any direction, including the Philippines.

On Nov. 27, Marshall told the Hawaii command and MacArthur that negotiations with Japan appeared terminated and warned them of possible hostile action. MacArthur replied that he had extended reconnaissance and intensified it in conjunction with the Navy. MacArthur added: "Within the limitations imposed by the present state of development of this theatre of operations, everything is in readiness for the conduct of a successful defense."

The Army Intelligence Division on Dec. 5 said Japan had several lines of action open to her, including attacks on Siberia or Yunnan provinces in South China; occupation of Thailand; attacks through Thailand on the Burma Road or Malay states on the Philippines and Hong Kong; preparation to assault on Singapore and the Netherlands East Indies.

Associated Press.

TOMORROW'S
SOFTBALL

(By 'Onlooker')

Good softball fans should be seen to-morrow at the Recreation ground, King's Park, in aid of the C-in-C's Relief Fund. Admission will be \$1.00.

At 9.30 a.m. sharp, U.S.S. "Prometheus," unbeat in Hong Kong, will clash with an All Star Colony team. Following this game, the local Softball beauties will play, when Wildcatters, Champions in the Girls' Division in 1940, will cross-bats with the Rest of the Colony.

U.S.S. "Prometheus" need no introduction. Their team has been the Softball talk of the town. In their latest game last Tuesday they blanked out U.S.S. Kenneth Whitting 13-0. "Flat-Top" Panzer allowing just one hit. Besides being an express hurler Flat-Top is no crumble at the bat, being second only to Johnson in the Promethean batting averages. Panzer and St. John (Captain) will to-morrow form the formidable battery with Henry on first. Thompson at second, Macraze at third, Latevski shortstop, Pauling the outfielder, Hamilton, Gibrat and Colson.

Playing for the All Star team will be new arrivals from Macao as yet unseen on the field this season. They include "Coffee" Baker, Barney Abbas, Cyclone first baseman, and "Dindoo" Hussain. Add to these the old "Bombard" Leonard, Wally Ching, the Gosno brothers—Gerry, Bertie, Leno and Doc—and it's sure the strongest team the Colony can put up.

The probable line-up will be as follows:—Bill Kwan or Claude Hollands (p) Dick Chung (c) Barney Abbas (1b) "Coffee" Baker (2b) Wally Ching (ss) David Leonard (3b) and the out-fielders the pick of the following:—G. Gosano, Bertie Gosano, A. V. Gosano, Dr. E. L. Gosano, M. Xavier, "Showboat" Ali, "Jindoo" Hussain, "Baby" Abbas, Sherry Bucker, Arturo Onglo and Tony Leung. The Colony All Star team will be under the Management of "Doc" Molten.

GIRLS' GAME
Glamour will be out in full force when Wildcatters meet the rest of the colony. The Mar Sisters, Lily, Doris, Gloria, Mary and Virginia will form the backbone of the Wildcat team. Lily "Sunshine" Mar will be pitching with Doris behind the plate. The infield will be Gloria, Mary and Virginia. Mar and Ella China. The out-field, Sheila Siqueira, Doris Horton, and Fatay Ribeiro.

Terry Norman, formerly Big Chief of the green-shirted "Wa-hoo's", Captain of the Colony Rest team will be pitching. Terry was formerly one of the best pitchers in the Colony and if her arm isn't rusty, she'll have lots of Wildcatters facing the basket.

The infield will consist of Inez Soares at first, Dolly Brown at second, Celeste Marques at third, Hilda Soares shortstop. Patrolling the garden will be Eileen Paulo, Aida Castro, Gerry Jorge, Theresa and Benadine Remedios and Pat Jorge.

Umpires for the both games will be Robin calling 'em with "Sunburn" Omar and "Lefty" Moosdeen at the bases. Scorers: Hugo Remedios.

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